IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: VARDI ET AL. Examiner: E. HOUSTON

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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23552 PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the final Office Action mailed September 18, 2007, and to the Advisory Action mailed on December 11, 2007, the period of response being extended from December 18, 2007 to January 18, 2008.

Fees related to the submission of this paper are being charged to an authorized credit card in the amount of \$120 for a large entity.

Additionally, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees as set forth in §§ 38 CFR 1.16 to 1.18 which may be required for entry of these papers or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

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